



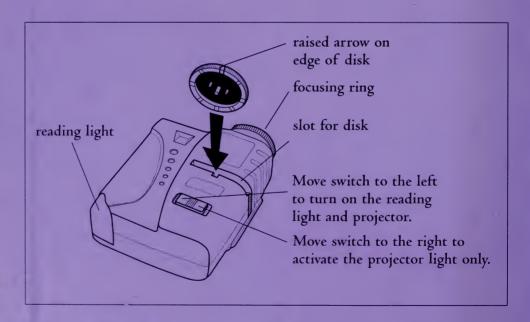
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Princess Stories Starring Belle



How to Use the Projector

- Pick a clear space on a light-colored wall or ceiling three to five feet away.
- Disks are color-coded to match the color shown next to the title of each story.
 Each story uses two disks. Use disk I to begin. Change to disk 2 when indicated in the story.
- Hold the disk so that the raised arrow is on top (see diagram), then slide into the slot in projector.
- Turn the disk to the right as you read through the story. The numbers next to the text correspond to the numbers on the projected images. Use the focusing ring to focus the pictures.





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Beauty and the Beast

n a small town in France, a long time ago, there lived a girl named Belle.

She was smart and kind, and she dreamed of leaving her small town to have adventures like the ones she read about in books. Gaston, a vain hunter, hoped to make Belle his wife, but she was not the least bit interested in marrying him.

Belle was quite devoted to her father, an absent-minded inventor. He understood Belle's dreams and wishes, and he loved her more than anything else in the world.

One evening, Belle's father became lost in the woods. He came upon an enormous castle and entered it. To his surprise, he found that the furniture inside was

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enchanted. He
was even more
astonished when
a candlestick
named Lumiere
and a clock named
Cogsworth greeted
him and welcomed
him to the castle.
Suddenly, he



heard a fierce growl, and an enormous beast appeared and cornered him. "Please, I mean no harm!" Belle's father begged, but the Beast took him prisoner.





When her father didn't come home, Belle set out to search the forest where he had gone. In time, she too came to the Beast's enchanted castle. She found her father locked in a dungeon in the castle.

"You must go right now!" her father warned. But Belle would not leave and she begged the Beast to let her take her father's place as prisoner. The Beast agreed. There was a spell over the castle, and the Beast knew that if Belle came to love him, the spell would be broken. Then he and the enchanted furniture would return to their original human forms.

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Belle missed her father terribly, but she also found the castle to be a strange and wonderful place. The Beast told her she was free to wander throughout the castle, except for one room which she was forbidden to enter. One day, Belle's curiosity got the better of her and she decided to sneak into the forbidden room. Inside, she found a rose under a bell jar, glittering and magical.

Just then the Beast bounded into the room. He was furious that Belle had disobeyed him. "What are you doing here?" he shouted angrily. Belle was terrified. She had never seen the Beast this angry.



Belle fled the castle and ran into the forest. A pack of hungry wolves chased her through the snow. As they were about to attack, the Beast appeared and chased them off, saving Belle's life.

Belle began to look at the Beast differently after he saved her. Soon they became good friends. Lumiere, Cogsworth, and the rest of their castle friends were very excited to see the change in the Beast. It seemed as though the spell was finally going to be broken!

One evening, the Beast decided to tell Belle that he loved her. They shared a romantic evening of dancing under the stars. "Are you happy, Belle?" he gently asked her. Belle told the Beast that she



would be happy if she could

just see her father again.

With a heavy heart, the Beast said, "You are no longer my prisoner. Take this magical mirror to remember me."



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Belle's father was overjoyed to see his daughter again. She told him how the Beast had changed, and of the many kind things he had done for her. A knock at the door interrupted them.

It was Gaston and a crowd of villagers. Belle's father had been telling tales about a strange beast, but no one had believed him. They all thought he was crazy and had come to take him to the insane asylum!

"I can help you and your father, Belle," Gaston said. "If you agree to marry me."

"Never!" cried Belle.

Gaston picked up the magical mirror and he saw a reflection of the Beast. "So this is who you care for?" he sneered. He turned to the villagers and shouted,

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"We must kill this wicked beast!" The angry villagers followed Gaston into the forest, determined to kill the Beast.

Gaston soon found the Beast in the forbidden tower room. They fought on the slippery castle rooftop. Gaston drew a knife and stabbed the Beast. Suddenly,

Gaston lost his footing and fell.

"Beast!" Belle cried, rushing to where he lay wounded. Tears fell from her eyes as she leaned forward, whispering, "I love you."



Slowly, the Beast rose into the air and began to change. Belle watched in astonishment as brilliant beams of light began to dance around him. As his

cloak twisted and spun, the Beast was transformed into a handsome young man.

"Belle," he said, holding his hand out to her. Belle looked deeply into the young man's blue eyes. She suddenly realized that the handsome young man and the Beast were one and the same. "It's you!" she cried happily.

As the Beast was transformed, so were the rest of the people from his castle. Soon afterward, they all celebrated the wedding of Beauty and the Beast, and everyone lived happily ever after.

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Play Song 1

Beauty AND BEAST



Belle in: A Love Uncovered



Play Song 2 Belle was spending a cozy afternoon reading by the fire. She had to admit that the Beast kept some interesting books around. Across the room, the Beast was feeling sorry for himself. "I was a fool to think a girl as beautiful as Belle might fall in love with me," he muttered.

"Cheer up," said Mrs. Potts, the teapot. "Give it time."



Just then, Belle burst out laughing. The Beast thought he had never heard such a lovely laugh. He turned to see what she was reading.

"That's my favorite book!" His eyes lit up.
"Can you believe the evil dragon decides to go to school to become a princess?"

Belle laughed in agreement. "My father would love this. I miss reading to him in the evenings. Would you mind if I read to you?"

"I...I'd love that," said the Beast, and Belle began to read.



Play Song Belle to go for a walk with him. She remembered the nice time they'd had together the day before. "Of course," she said. "It'll be good to get some fresh air."

"Have fun!" called Lumiere and Cogsworth.

Belle hadn't been outside the castle much since she'd arrived. The Beast took her arm.

"I can manage by myself," Belle said confidently to him.

Embarrassed, the Beast pulled his arm away. Suddenly, he felt shy and awkward.



how she had to struggle to keep up with him. Then it started to snow. "You must be cold," he said. "Shall we head back?"

"I'm fine," said Belle, snuggling deeper into her warm cloak. "I love walking in all kinds of weather."

"You do?" asked the Beast, surprised at how alike they were. He slowed down so they could walk side by side. Belle put her hand in his. Before he could doubt himself, the Beast asked Belle to dine with him.



Belle couldn't decide what to wear to dinner. She didn't want to look too fancy.

She just wanted to be comfortable. And Belle was beginning to feel more comfortable with the Beast....

"I like the orange gown," said Mrs. Potts.

"Me, too," said Wardrobe. "It brings out your dark hair and eyes, my dear."

"Then the orange gown it is!" said Belle, and she put it on.

Meanwhile, Lumiere and Cogsworth were in the Beast's chambers, helping him prepare for dinner. The Beast also wanted to look his best. Lumiere washed his fur, and Cogsworth trimmed it. The Beast began to hum his favorite waltz.

"I've never heard you hum before!" said Lumiere.

"A special song for a special girl, sir?" asked Cogsworth with a wink.

They hummed along with him as he dressed in the most splendid clothing he owned. Something special was in the air!





At last, Belle came down to dinner. She was so beautiful, the Beast could only stare. "Am I missing an earring?" Belle asked, reaching for her ear.



"Uh...no," said the Beast. "Would you...uh...like a buttered coal? I mean...." "...a roll!" Belle said, giggling, "I'd love one."



A nervous Beast accidentally knocked over his water glass. Lumiere and Cogsworth came to the rescue. But by dessert, Belle and the Beast were chatting away like old friends.

Play Song 6 That night, Belle had a hard time falling asleep. She couldn't stop thinking about the Beast. He didn't act

like a beast at all! He was so kind and gentle. And they could talk about everything for hours and hours without ever getting bored.

At that moment, Belle realized that she truly cared for the Beast. Might he, too, have special feelings for her?

The next day, Belle couldn't find the Beast anywhere. She wondered if she'd been wrong to think he might have special feelings for her. Finally, she asked Mrs. Potts where he was.

"He's busy preparing for tonight," said Mrs. Potts.

"Tonight?" asked Belle.

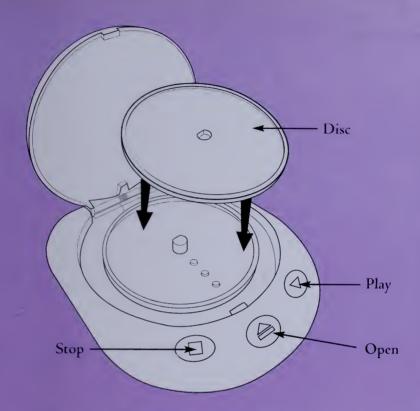
"The Master has a special evening planned," said Mrs. Potts. "Just the two of you."

Belle's heart fluttered.
She envisioned herself
descending the staircase in
a lovely gown of...not that
it mattered. She knew that it
was what's inside that counts.





That evening, after a romantic, candlelit dinner, the Beast led Belle to the dance floor. The Beast felt confident and comfortable as he led Belle around the room, staring into her eyes. Belle stared back, feeling happy and secure in the strong arms of the Beast.



How to Use the Music Player

Use your music discs to create the perfect atmosphere for the stories as you read.

- Each disc has a Princess name on it. Find the disc that matches the chapter you are reading.
- Open the music player by pressing the middle button . Insert the disc and close the lid. When you are ready to play a song as indicated in the story, press the button on the right . To play the next song, press the right-hand button again . To stop the music at any time during play, press the left-hand button .
- When the player is stopped in the middle of a song, it will start that song when the play button is pressed again.
- After a period of non-use, the player will shut off. When the play button is pressed again, the player will go back to the first song on the disc.

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